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SUBJECT: REPROCESSING: PRESS TREATMENT

REF: (A) ISLAMABAD 7675; (B) STATE 198367; (C) ISLAMABAD
7623

1. NEITHER REPROCESSING NOR AID SUSPENSION HAS COME UP IN
NOON PRESS BRIEFING TO DATE.
2. IN INDIVIDUAL PHONE CALLS FROM TWO OR THREE NEWSMEN WE
HAVE USED GUIDANCE ON SUSPENSION (REF B).

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3. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF OUR REVISED CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE
REFLECTING YOUR VIEWS (REF C) TO EXTENT POSSIBLE:

Q. IS THE U.S. CUTTING OFF ECONOMIC AID TO PAKISTAN BE-
CAUSE OF THE NUCLEAR REPROCESSING PLANT ISSUE?

A. -- NO, WE ARE NOT CUTTING OFF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.

-- AID PROVIDED UNDER EXISTING AGREEMENTS IS CONTINUING
(AID PROJECTS, PL-480, LOCAL CURRENCY PROGRAMS).
-- FOR SOME TIME WE HAVE NOT SIGNED NEW AID AGREEMENTS,
AS THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN UNDER REVIEW.

Q. DOES THE NUCLEAR REPROCESSING QUESTION LIE BEHIND OUR
UNDERTAKING THIS REVIEW?

A. -- THIS IS THE MAIN REASON.

Q. WHAT ARE THE MAIN ELEMENTS IN THE CONTINUING U.S. ECON-
OMIC AID PROGRAM FOR PAKISTAN?

A. -- THIS PROGRAM INCLUDES:
- DOLS 57.6 MILLION PL-480 TITLE ONE PROGRAM SIGNED
IN DECEMBER 1977.
- DOLS 58 MILLION IN CCC CREDITS APPROVED JUNE 30,
1978.
- DOLS 40 MILLION LOAN PREVIOUSLY OBLIGATED BY
USAID FOR FERTILIZER PLANT PROJECT.
- US HAS CONTINUED TO PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE
TO PAKISTAN THROUGH OUR CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL ORGANIZATIONS.
- SIZEABLE USAID PROGRAMS INVOLVING ABOUT DOLS 58
MILLION ARE CONTINUING IN THE FIELDS OF BASIC HEALTH,
WATER MANAGEMENT, MALARIA CONTROL AND DRY-LAND AGRICULTURE.
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